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Dear Rebecca;

We had a wonderful time at the fourth annual PEW meeting at Ixtapa. Two things impressed me about the meeting: the quality of the scholars presentations and the organization efficiency of your staff. In addition, it was a real pleasure knowing all of you and having the honor to meet Dr. Lederberg, whose work I much admire.

Of a great surprise and pleasure to all of us, the mexican visitors, was your announcement of the postdoctoral Scholarships program for mexican young investigators. The possibility for them to work as postdoctoral fellows in the laboratories of PEW Scholars graduates, is an excellent one.

I hope you succeed in putting together this program as soon as possible. We will be eager to help you whenever you need us.

I also want to take this opportunity to inform you that some of our laboratories have very formal Ph.D. programs demanding too much to the students for getting their Ph.D. degrees. And I mean too much because of the poor availability of support for our research programs. We have solved this problem by opening the possibility for advanced predoctoral fellows to spend a couple of years at laboratories in the USA. The work done during this training is usually substantial and contribute importantly to complete the Ph.D. program requirements of our Universities. Therefore, I suggest you might consider the possibility of opening a little bit the criteria for giving the scholarships to include this other type of young investigators.

Please give my best regards to Dr. Berliner, Patricia Chase, Laura Smith and all the other members of the PEW staff. By the way, can you please provide me with the name and address of the person in the Hughes Medical Foundation that could be in position of considering the possibility of support to Mexican scientists? I would appreciate it. I am looking forward to see all of you again in the near future and to hear from you soon.

Sincerely yours,


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